

Senegal

2005 Fact Sheet



The **2005 Senegal GSHS** measured alcohol and other drug use; sexual behaviours that contribute to HIV infection, other STI and unintended pregnancy; hygiene; dietary behaviours and overweight; physical activity; tobacco use; and protective factors.

The 2005 Senegal GSHS was a school-based survey of students in Secondary 6, Secondary 5, Secondary 4, and Secondary 3. A two-stage cluster sample design was used to produce data representative of all students in Secondary 6, Secondary 5, Secondary 4, and Secondary 3 in Senegal. At the first stage, schools were selected with probability proportional to enrollment size. At the second stage, classes were randomly selected and all students in selected classes were eligible to participate. The school response rate was 100%, the student response rate was 60%, and the overall response rate was 60%. A total of 3,154 students participated in the Senegal GSHS. Students self-reported their responses to each question on a computer scannable answer sheet. For comparison purposes, only students aged 13- 15 years are included in the analyses for this fact sheet.

Results for students aged 13-15 years	Total	Boys	Girls
Alcohol and Other Drug Use			
Percentage of students who had at least one drink containing alcohol on one or more days during the past 30 days	3.2 ± 1.3	4.0 ± 2.0	2.0 ± 1.1
Percentage of students who drank so much alcohol that they were really drunk one or more times during their life	4.8 ± 1.4	6.6 ± 2.7	2.1 ± 1.0
Percentage of students who had a hang-over, felt sick, got into trouble with family or friends, missed school, or got into fights, as a result of drinking alcohol one or more times during their life	5.3 ± 1.5	5.5 ± 1.9	5.1 ± 1.6
Percentage of students who used drugs one or more times during their life	1.4 ± 0.8	1.7 ± 1.3	0.8 ± 1.0
Sexual Behaviors that contribute to HIV Infection, Other STI, and Unintended Pregnancy			
Percentage of students who have ever had sexual intercourse	23.9 ± 5.5	34.5 ± 8.1	8.1 ± 4.2
Percentage of students who have had sexual intercourse with two or more people during their life time	14.4 ± 2.9	21.2 ± 4.6	4.1 ± 2.5
Among students who had sexual intercourse during the past 12 months, the percentage who used a condom the last time they had sexual intercourse	68.3 ± 11.3	68.1 ± 13.5	*
Hygiene			
Percentage of students who cleaned or brushed their teeth less than 1 time per day during the past 30 days	14.4 ± 3.7	13.5 ± 3.8	15.1 ± 4.3
Percentage of students who never or rarely washed their hands before eating during the past 30 days	9.4 ± 6.4	9.2 ± 5.2	9.9 ± 8.8
Percentage of students who never or rarely washed their hands after using the toilet or latrine during the past 30 days	9.3 ± 6.2	8.9 ± 5.9	9.9 ± 8.0
Dietary Behaviours and Overweight			
Percentage of students who went hungry most of the time or always during the past 30 days because there was not enough food in their home	10.6 ± 2.4	10.6 ± 2.8	10.8 ± 3.7
Physical Activity			



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Percentage of students who were physically active for a total of at least 60 minutes per day on all 7 days during the past 7 days	11.8 ± 3.6	15.4 ± 5.0	6.2 ± 2.1
Percentage of students who spent three or more hours per day during a typical or usual day sitting and watching television, playing computer games, talking with friends, or doing other sitting activities	25.3 ± 3.6	28.6 ± 3.6	20.6 ± 6.6
Tobacco Use			
Percentage of students who smoked cigarettes on one or more days during the past 30 days	6.5 ± 3.9	9.1 ± 5.5	2.7 ± 3.3
Percentage of students who used any other form of tobacco on one or more days during the past 30 days	6.8 ± 4.1	9.5 ± 5.9	3.0 ± 3.0
Percentage of students who reported people smoking in their presence on one or more days during the past 7 days	57.3 ± 5.3	60.7 ± 6.0	52.3 ± 6.1
Protective Factors			
Percentage of students who missed classes or school without permission on one or more days during the past 30 days	23.3 ± 6.5	24.2 ± 6.8	21.9 ± 7.3
Percentage of students who reported that most of the students in their school were never or rarely kind and helpful during the past 30 days	24.6 ± 4.0	24.4 ± 5.5	24.4 ± 3.8
Percentage of students whose parents or guardians never or rarely knew what they were doing with their free time during the past 30 days	35.8 ± 3.2	38.3 ± 3.4	31.7 ± 6.6

* indicates less than 100 students.

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